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COAT HANGER ATTACHMENT

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Fig. 1.

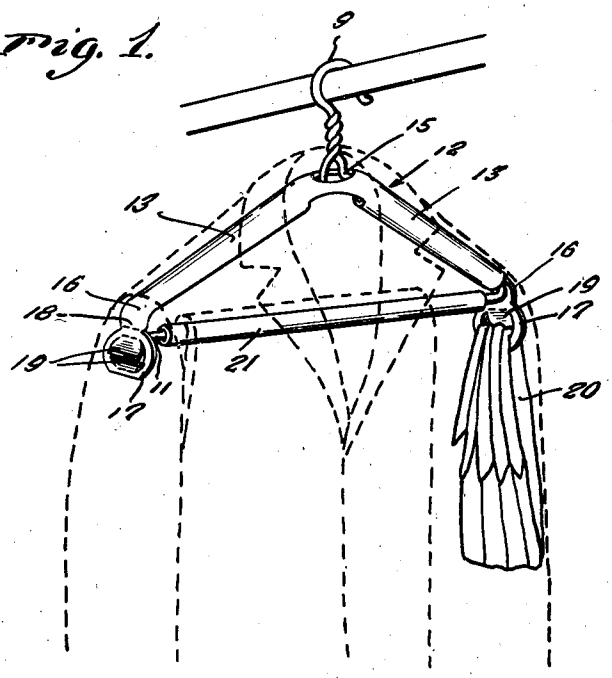


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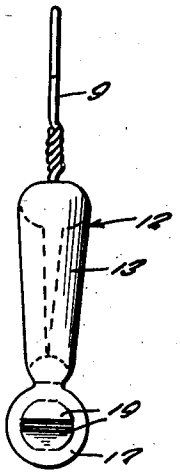


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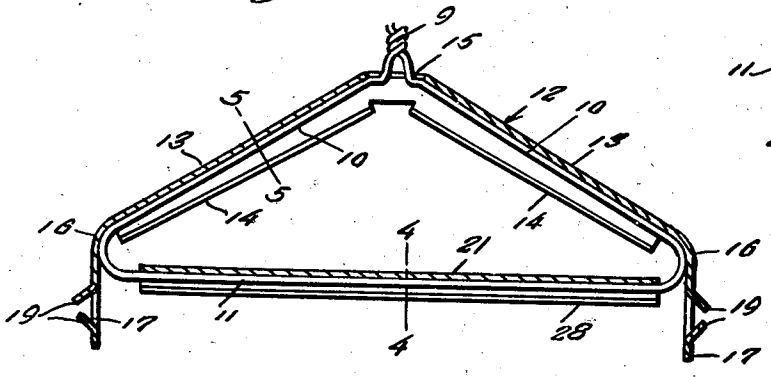


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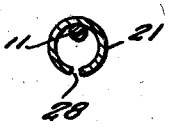
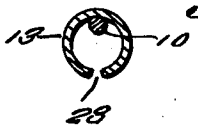


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This invention pertains to that class of accessories and appurtenances susceptible of being comprehensibly entitled attachments, the same being expressly constructed for use in conjunction with so-called garment and coat hangers of the simplified light-weight wire type.

It goes without saying that I am consciously aware that the prior art to which the invention relates, includes numerous styles of attachments of the character under consideration. It is therefore fitting to say that the present conception embodies certain primary parts fundamentally old, wherein said parts are especially designed and fashioned to incorporate noteworthy structural improvements and refinements.

Briefly, the invention is characterized by two units, that is a main V-shaped unit designed for cooperation with a correspondingly shaped portion of the hanger, and a split sheath or round for cooperation with the horizontal bar at the bottom of the hanger.

The principal novelty has to do with the incorporation in the main V-shaped part of terminal extensions connectible with the diverging portions thereof, wherein said extensions are in the form of loops or eyes adapted to accommodate wads of tissue paper usable as filler or stuffing means to retain the desired shape of the sleeves of a coat or the like.

Other features and advantages will become more readily apparent from the following description and drawing.

In the drawing:

Figure 1 is a perspective showing of the essential parts of the invention and illustrating the manner in which they cooperate with a conventional wire hanger, showing how the sleeve stuffing functions.

Figure 2 is a sectional view showing the construction and arrangement more explicitly.

Figure 3 is an end view disclosing in particular one of the terminal stuffing adapter eyes.

Figures 4 and 5 are cross-sectional views taken on the planes of the lines 4—4 and 5—5 respectively of Figure 2.

As a matter of convenience, attention is first called to the substantially triangular wire coat hanger shown in Figure 2 which includes the customary supporting hook 9, the diverging frame members 10 forming the coat hanger means and the horizontal bottom rod 11, completing the frame and serving, ordinarily, as the support for a pair of trousers or the like.

The main protector and coat accommodation unit is denoted by the numeral 12 and may be made from cardboard or equivalent sheet or paper material. This includes a pair of diverging tubular branches or arms 13 longitudinally slit on their bottom as indicated at 14 to permit them to fit over the frame members 10. The connective portion is apertured as indicated at 15 to allow it to slip over the hook 9. It will be observed that in a top plan view these tubular shields are tapered, that is decreased gradually in cross-sectional dimensions from the center toward the ends to make for more satisfactory cushioning properties to accommodate the coat. It is further observed that the form-shaped shield 13 is of a length to properly cooperate with the frame members 10. At the outer ends, the shields are formed with extension flaps 16 terminating in depending disk-like elements 17. As shown in Figure 1, the numeral 18 merely designates a fold line to facilitate bending the features 17 down to the position shown in Figure 2. Struck out from the disk are tongues 19 which suffice to form adapter eyes. In effect, these parts 17 are merely independent hanger elements but designed to accommodate tissue paper 20 as indicated in Figure 1. In other words, by taking sufficient paper and bundling it, so to speak, and hanging it in the eye, the paper hangs down in the sleeve portion of the coat as illustrated in Figure 1 to form a filler pad or, what I have more aptly described as "stuffings". It is evident, therefore, that the principal distinction existing in the construction of the unitary parts 12, is the tapered formation of the split tubular shield and the extension flap 16 terminating at the hanger eyes 17, bendable to convenient position to accommodate sleeve padding paper or the like 20.

The numeral 21 designates an additional tube-like protector, this being adapted to fit over the lower frame bar 11. It is protective in the sense that it provides a convenient round to accommodate trousers and prevent the formation of an undesirable crease therein as frequently occurs when the trousers are hung on the bare wire.

It is thought that persons skilled in the art to which the invention relates will be able to obtain a clear understanding of the invention after considering the description in connection with the drawing. Therefore, a more lengthy description is regarded as unnecessary.

Minor changes in shape, size and the arrangement of details coming within the field of invention claimed may be resorted to in actual practice, if desired.

I claim:

1. An attachment for a wire coat hanger com-

prising a cardboard protector embodying diverging tubular members adapted to detachably embrace adjacent portions of the frame of the coat hanger, said tubular members being longitudinally slit on their under sides to permit application and removal and being longitudinally tapered, and terminating in bendable flaps, said flaps being constructed to provide supplementary hanger elements, the hanger elements being in the form of eyes to accommodate padding material for the sleeve portion of the conventional coat in the manner and for the purposes described.

2. A coat hanger attachment for a conventional wire coat hanger comprising a one-piece substantially V-shaped unit, the diverging arm portions thereof being in the form of tubular shields to embrace the underlying portions of the coat hanger, the free ends of said arms terminating in freely bendable disk-like extensions, said extensions being punctured to form tongues, the tongues being struck out to define hanger eyes usable in the manner and for the purposes described.

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